

AN HEIR A SOLDIER

Irish Nobleman Joins the United States Army.

WAS MISSED FROM HIS HOME

Friends and Relatives Have Been Attempting to Locate the Missing Heir for Some Time and Finally Discovered Him.

New York, Feb. 18.—The Hon. Arthur Reginald French, eldest son and heir to the title and estates of Baron de Freyne, a large land owner in the County Roscommon, Ireland, who arrived here January 15 and was reported yesterday to the police as having mysteriously disappeared from his hotel is at Fort Slocum, on Davis Island, near New Rochelle, wearing the uniform of a private in the United States army. On the day of his disappearance French enlisted at a recruiting station in this city and was assigned to the Eighth regiment. He went to America to visit his uncle, Captain William French, who owns a ranch in New Mexico. Having telegraphed his relative and receiving no reply the young man decided to take up army life of which he is very fond.

When seen at the fort, French was considerably amused at the excitement caused by his disappearance.

"I supposed," he said, "an observing Englishman, more or less in this country did not amount to much and might very well drop out of the ranks without such a fuss.

"I enlisted because I had a pretty strong notion of doing so when I left home. I had an idea of going up to Canada and joining the mounted police up there in the northwest, but the more I heard about that country and its 40 degrees below zero, the less I liked it. So I just enlisted in the American army and I like it.

"I came out here nominally with the idea of going on my uncle's ranch in New Mexico, where he has lived about 20 years. My private income won't answer to live on. I've got to do something and soldiering is the only thing I know how to do. I don't know anything about ranching. Maybe I could not have done anything at it when I got there."

Asked why he left all his luggage at the hotel in this city, he explained that he did not expect to need his citizens' traps and abandoned them to cover a small sum he owned the hotel.

"I did not make any particular fuss about my enlistment" and as to leaving the service, I want to say I have not the remotest idea of so doing. The men are good fellows and the officers know their business. I am where I want to be and intend to stay."

DEMAND FOR STOCKS.

Peace Rumors in Russia Has Made Demand for Securities.

New York, Feb. 18.—Prices on the stock exchange have been well sustained this week on a somewhat diminished demand of a "Spotty" charter. Industrials and low priced railroads have been the favorites, but have supported the general list by sympathy. The drop in foreign exchange and the passing of the foreign demand for American gold have helped the market. Peace rumors abroad also resulted in some foreign demand in this market for stocks.

Restraining factors have been the export grain rate war, the obstruction to railroad traffic by storms and discussion of legislation for government control of railroad rates.

NO MORE FOOTBALL.

Robert S. Stangland Has Enlargement of the Heart.

New York, Feb. 18.—Robert S. Stangland, captain of last season's Columbia football team and a member of the varsity team, who was to run in the Columbia-Cornell relay race at Buffalo February 25, has been declared by his physician as definitely withdrawn from all engagements in athletics of any nature. Stangland is stated to be suffering from an enlargement of the heart, and though his condition is not critical, any excessive exercise would tend to increase the trouble to a dangerous point.

Stangland participated in the Olympic games at St. Louis last summer, representing the New York Athletic Club.

HEALTH IN PHILIPPINES.

No Longer Necessary to Procure Bill of Health from Government.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The bureau of insular affairs is in receipt of a communication from the chief quarantine officer for the Philippine islands saying that owing to the favorable sanitary reports which have been received, it is no longer necessary for inter-

island transports, which carry as a part of their personnel army medical officers, to procure bills of health at ports of departure, or to await quarantine inspection at ports of arrival unless there is sickness aboard. This is in line with reports from other sources indicating the healthful conditions obtaining in the Philippine islands.

CROOKED POLITICIAN.

His Name is Hathorn, and He Resides in Montana.

Butte, Feb. 18.—A Miner special from Billings, Mont., says that a warrant has been issued for the arrest of F. H. Hathorn, a prominent politician and attorney of Billings, for the alleged embezzlement of \$122 witness fees. Hathorn is named as judge in a measure which has been introduced in the legislature creating another judicial district and he declares his arrest is blackmail brought about by his political enemies, seeking to injure him. A most bitter fight is being waged against Hathorn in the legislature.

DUPLICATE MARRIAGES.

Stringent Divorce Law Enacted by Montana Legislature.

Helena, Feb. 18.—House bill No. 132, by Bennett, has passed the house by a vote of 33 to 30. This is the bill whose purpose is the restriction of reckless and ill advised marrying. Excepting in the case of the innocent party to a divorce suit brought on the ground of adultery, divorced persons are forbidden to marry again but the provisions of the bill do not prevent the parties to the action for a divorce from remarrying each other at any time.

NEGRO POLITICIANS

Organization of Colored Voters Perfected.

NEW YORK TAKES THE LEAD

The Colored Voters Will Organize a Political League Which Will Have a National Scope and Have Influence in Politics.

New York, Feb. 18.—Negroes of this and adjoining states have presented a meeting here at the colored republican club for the purpose of drafting a constitution and by-laws of a negro political organization of national scope. It will be known as the National Colored Voters' League.

The leaders intend to hold a national convention of colored voters and to have a thorough organization, including district, county and state associations. The delegates to the national convention will be chosen from the several state organizations, two from each congressional district, and delegates at large. This is said to be the first definite movement of the sort undertaken by the colored voters.

WASHINGTON FISH LAWS.

Meglar Introduces Conference Bill in the House.

The general fisheries law, under the authorship of Speaker Meglar, appeared in the house at Olympia last week. The bill does not include some of the features agreed to by the Oregon and Washington joint conference, it being the intention to place the matter affecting the Columbia in separate bill. The Meglar bill, however, fixes the licenses as agreed to by the joint conference committee.

A side departure in marking fishing locations is provided for. Under the present law the locations are marked by the driving of three piles. The Meglar bill provides for the survey of locations and the filing of plats in the office of the county auditor and the state fish commissioner. The idea is known as the Major Mills plan.

Major Mills of the government engineering staff, has objected to the driving of piles because they are a menace to navigation. The bill will go away with this menace and also provide that every vestige of the fishtrap or gear shall be removed within a certain period after the close of the fishing season.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was marvelous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Chas. Rogers, druggist.

SWELL CLUB HOUSE

To Be Built in New York for Women.

WILL BE EXCLUSIVE AFFAIR

No One Except Those Having Royal Blood Percolating Through Their Veins Will Be Admitted to the New Colonial Club.

New York, Feb. 18.—Architectural plans have been completed for the Colony Club, for which a site was purchased nearly a year ago in Madison avenue. When the structure shall have been reared the monopoly now held by the male population of the pleasures and privileges of an exclusive club luxuriously housed and thoroughly furnished, will be at an end in this city. With its combined social and athletic advantages, the new clubhouse will be the most complete in the country. Its membership will include many of the most prominent women in New York and there will be several arrangements for out of town members. A peculiarly strong argument in favor of the club among the society women is that it will provide accommodation for them when they are spending a day or two in the city during the summer season when their town houses are closed.

Hearing Denied.

Helena, Mont., Feb. 17.—The supreme court this afternoon denied the application made by Attorney General A. J. Galen for a rehearing in the celebrated Tully murder case. Tully is a colored soldier and is under sentence of death for murder.

The supreme court holds that the application was made too late.

STAR NEXT WEEK.

LORETTA TWINS GYMNASTS



THE 20th CENTURY
HORIZONTAL BAR
WONDERS

Owing to the immense crowds that attended the children's matinee at the Star yesterday afternoon, and that many children were unable to see the wonderful performing bears, Manager Gervurtz will give another 5-cent matinee this (Sunday) afternoon for the children. This will be the last opportunity of seeing the performing bears as they will not appear at the evening performance. For next week commencing Monday night, one of the best bills ever presented in vaudeville will be put on at the Star. The Loretta Twins trio, acknowledged to be the most wonderful acrobatic children bar performers in the world, and recognized as the world's champions, will appear in most wonderful feats. Nothing like them has ever been seen on this coast and they are certain to draw large crowds to this popular play house. In addition to this Nagie and Adams, mirth-provokers, and James A. Hennessee, will appear, making the performance the best ever given in Astoria.

A Grim Tragedy.

is daily enacted, in thousands of homes, as Death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or Pneumonia. But what Coughs and Colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which cured her, and today she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all diseases. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1 by Chas. Rogers, druggist. Trial bottle free.

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"Beauty and grace from no condition rise;
Use Pears' sweet maid
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Offers more true blue money saving opportunities than will ever be seen in this city.

Sacrificing Thousands of Dollars worth of the finest and choicest quality Suits, Pants, Overcoats, Shoes and Furnishings at 1-3 to 1-2 off regular prices.

Not from matter of choice but forced by necessity while the refitting and altering of this store is in progress, while the hammer and saw make dust fly, we are forcing business and giving such wonderful bargains that the Big Store's Alteration Sale is a Guiding Star for every man, woman and child that knows the valuation of money.

DON'T WAIT, DON'T MISS THIS SALE, it's like may never occur again in all Oregon.

MEN'S SUITS

At less than cost of manufacture. One-third to one-half off regular prices,
\$5.50 for all wool suits in a variety of colors. Broken lots. Sizes 34 to 42. Worth \$10 to \$12.
\$8.50 double and single breasted suits in very choice styles of tailor-made worth up to \$15.
\$11.50 for extra fine suits, tailor made, single or double breasted, worth up to \$20.
\$14.50 for imported materials, fine dress suits, in all styles, worth up to \$20.

OVERCOATS

There are many grades that we cannot mention, but you can save 1-3 to 1-2 on any of them.
\$6.50 for a lot of broken sizes worth to \$12.
\$13.50 for choice of a very elegant lot of choice overcoats worth to \$22.

PANTS

Hundreds of pairs to choose from.
\$1.40 for pants worth up to \$2.50.
\$2.40 for pants worth up to \$4.50.
\$3.40 for pants worth up to \$6.00.

Young Men's Suits

We will put an alteration sale on about 20 styles that will clear them out.
\$4.50 for odd lots carried over from last season, all colors, worth \$10.
\$8.50 for several styles to extra fine single and double breasted suits, worth to \$15.

Knee Pants Suits

\$1.50 for a splendid lot worth up to \$2.50
\$2.75 for an extra good lot worth up to \$4.50.
\$3.75 for special lot, 2 pairs pants, worth \$6.

SHOES

\$1.35 for a lot of odd pairs, worth to \$2.50
\$1.75 for a lot of extra good, worth to \$3.
\$2.50 for splendid lot of heavy shoes, worth to \$3.50.

HATS

We will sell you a hat if style and low prices will do the work.
\$1.35 will buy soft and stiff hats worth \$2.50.
\$2.35 will buy soft and stiff hats worth \$3.50.
\$3.00 Contract hat, standard price. We can't cut this, but we give the choice of any tie or suspenders in the house to worth 75c with each Hawes Hat.

Furnishing Goods

A hundred more bargains that we can't find room to mention.
35c for grades of 50 and 60c underwear.
65c for wool merino and Balbriggan \$1 Underwear.
85c for select wool and English Balbriggan \$1.50 underwear.
\$1.15 for lambswool and French balbriggan underwear.

SHIRTS

25c for a big lot 50c and 75c stiff shirts.
35c for golf, negligee and black sateen 50 to 65c shirts.
55c for a golf and negligee select style \$1 shirt.
85c for choice of all Monarch \$1.25 shirts
5c for 10c sox.
8c for 15c sox.
12 1-2c for 20c sox.
17c for 30c sox.

SUSPENDERS

5c for an odd lot dumb web 15c suspenders.
15c for choice of all fine 25c suspenders.
25c for choice of fine suspenders worth to 50c.
35c for choice of all extra fine suspenders worth 75c.
5c for boy's 10c stockings.
12c for 20c stockings, double sole and heel.
10c for four-in-hand silk 25c ties.
37c for choice of all neckware worth to \$1.00.